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Re:

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Appl. No. 09/476,093; Filed: January 3, 2000

For:

Communication System with Multi-Mode

and Multi-Band Functionality and Embodiments

Thereof, such as the Family Radio Service

Inventors: Sorrells *et al.* Our Ref: 1744.0260001

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

- 1. Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement;
- 2. Form PTO-1449 listing and accompanied by twenty (20) documents; and
- 3. One return postcard.

It is respectfully requested that the attached postcard be stamped with the date of filing of these documents, and that it be returned to our courier. In the event that extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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## Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement

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Sir:

Listed on accompanying Form PTO-1449 are documents that may be considered material to the examination of this application, in compliance with the duty of disclosure requirements of 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98. The numbering on this Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement is a continuation of the numbering in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 11, 2002 in connection with the abovecaptioned application.

Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

Applicants reserve the right to establish the patentability of the claimed invention over any of the information provided herewith, and/or to prove that this information may not be prior art, and/or to prove that this information may not be enabling for the teachings purportedly offered.

Applicants provide the following comments regarding the documents:

Documents AL19, AM19 and AA50 were cited in an International Search Report in PCT Appl. No. PCT/US01/08969, filed March 22, 2001, entitled, "Integrated Frequency Translation and Selectivity with a Gain Control Functionality, and Applications Thereof," directed to related subject matter. Also cited in said Search Report were U.S. Patent Nos. 4,888,557 and 5,801,654 and PCT Publication Nos. WO 96/02977 and WO 96/30750, which were cited in Applicants' Information Disclosure Statement filed on January 11, 2002 in connection with the above-captioned application.

Document AJ20 was cited in an Office Action in co-pending Japanese Patent Application Serial No. 2000-577,764, filed June 21, 2000, entitled "Applications of Universal Frequency Translation,". Also cited in said Office Action was Japanese Patent Publication No. 58-133004, which was cited in Applicants' Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 4, 2002 in connection with the above-captioned application.

Documents AI48 and AA49 were cited in an Office Action in co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/567,963, filed May 10, 2000, entitled "Frequency Synthesizer Using Universal Frequency Translation Technology," directed to related subject matter.

Document AB49 is a co-owned patent which is directed to related subject matter.

Document AC49 was cited by in an Office Action in co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/689,675, filed January 24, 2000, entitled "Bar Code Scanner Using Universal Frequency Translation Technology for Up-Conversion and Down-Conversion," directed to related subject matter.

Documents AD49-AI49 were cited in an Office Action in co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/476,092, filed January 3, 2000, entitled "Analog Zero IF FM

Decoder and Embodiments Thereof, Such as the Family Radio Service," directed to related subject matter.

Document AB50 is a copy of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/476,091, filed January 3, 2000, entitled "Image-Reject Down-Converter and Embodiments Thereof, Such as the Family Radio Service," directed to related subject matter. In the copy provided, the claims are shown as elected on February 20, 2002.

Document AC50 is a copy of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/476,092, filed January 3, 2000, entitled "Analog Zero IF FM Decoder and Embodiments Thereof, Such as the Family Radio Service," directed to related subject matter.

Document AD50 is a copy of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/476,330, filed January 3, 2000, entitled "Multi-Mode, Multi-Band Communication System," directed to related subject matter.

Document AE50 is a copy of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/569,044, filed May 10, 2000, entitled "Universal Platform Module and Methods and Apparatuses Relating Thereto Enabled By Universal Frequency Translation Technology," directed to related subject matter. In the copy provided, the claims are shown as amended on March 28, 2002.

Document AF50 is a copy of co-pending U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/569,045, filed May 10, 2000, entitled "Methods and Apparatuses Relating to a Universal Platform Module and Enabled By Universal Frequency Translation Technology," directed to related subject matter. In the copy provided, the claims are shown as amended on March 27, 2002.

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Applicants have checked the appropriate boxes below.

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It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed PTO-1449, and indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the documents have been considered. The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby

authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.

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